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## PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF SOUTH CAROLINA COMMISSION DIRECTIVE

ADMINISTRATIVE MATTER	and the same of th	DATE	December 18, 2019
MOTOR CARRIER MATTER		DOCKET NO.	2017-207-E/2017-305-E 2017-370-E
UTILITIES MATTER	<b>✓</b>	ORDER NO.	2019-879

## THIS DIRECTIVE SHALL SERVE AS THE COMMISSION'S ORDER ON THIS ISSUE.

## SUBJECT:

<u>DOCKET NO. 2017-207-E</u> - <u>Friends of the Earth and Sierra Club, Complainants/Petitioners v. South Carolina Electric & Gas Company, Defendant/Respondent;</u>

<u>DOCKET NO. 2017-305-E</u> - <u>Request of the Office of Regulatory Staff for Rate Relief to South Carolina Electric & Gas Company's Rates Pursuant to S.C. Code Ann. § 58-27-920;</u>

-and-

DOCKET NO. 2017-370-E - Joint Application and Petition of South Carolina Electric & Gas
Company and Dominion Energy, Incorporated for Review and Approval of a Proposed Business
Combination between SCANA Corporation and Dominion Energy, Incorporated, as May Be
Required, and for a Prudency Determination Regarding the Abandonment of the V.C. Summer
Units 2 & 3 Project and Associated Customer Benefits and Cost Recovery Plans - Staff
Presents for Commission Consideration Dominion Energy South Carolina, Incorporated's
Request for Approval of Its Code of Conduct.

## **COMMISSION ACTION:**

In compliance with Order No. 2018-804(A), Dominion Energy South Carolina ("DESC") has submitted its 2019 Code of Conduct. The Company represents that the Code of Conduct establishes guidelines and rules that apply to the relationships, transactions, and activities involving the electric and natural gas operations of Dominion Energy South Carolina, the parent company Dominion Energy, SCANA, and certain other affiliates.

ORS has filed comments regarding the Code of Conduct that proposes the inclusion of similar customer protections as those afforded by the North Carolina Utilities Commission. ORS has filed comments regarding the Code of Conduct that proposes the inclusion of similar customer protections as those afforded by the North Carolina Utilities Commission.

The Company's proposal also retained certain language related to preserving its rights to self-advocacy in Section III(E)(4) regarding the provision of accurate and truthful information. ORS expressed the position that there is no need to include such language in the Code. The Company argues that the language addresses times when Dominion may be required to seek a waiver of Code of Conduct requirements for specific transactions or programs.

Before we consider the request for approval, I want to learn more from Dominion and ORS regarding the proposed Code of Conduct and the relevancy of the North Carolina provisions proposed as applicable to DESC's South Carolina operations. Further, I seek clarification of the issues surrounding the Company's proposed waiver clause. Therefore, I move that Commission Staff schedule oral arguments regarding the ORS' suggested additions and deletions to the Company's proposed Code of Conduct.

PRESIDING:	<u>Randall</u>				SESSION: Reg	ular	TIME:	2:00 p.m.
	MOTION	YES	NO	OTHER				
BELSER				Recused				
ERVIN		V						
HAMILTON		V						
HOWARD				<u>Absent</u>	Sick Leave			
RANDALL		<b>✓</b>						
WHITFIELD	~	V						
WILLIAMS				<u>Absent</u>	Military Leave			
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Additionally, for the sake of simplicity, I move that we open this matter in a new docket.